

REMARKS

Summary Of The Office Action

Prior to this Amendment, claims 1-40 were pending in the application. Claims 3 and 11 are canceled by this Amendment.

Claims 5-9 and 13-40 are allowed.

Claims 1-2, 4, 10 and 12 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(b) as being unpatentable over Czaja et al (USP 6,424,631) in view of Toskala (WO 97/363,378).

Claims 3 and 11 are objected to as depending from a rejected claim, but would be allowable if rewritten to include the features of the respective base claims.

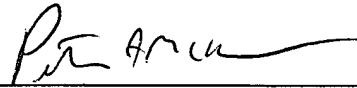
By this Amendment, the features of claims 3 and 11 are added to respective base claims 1 and 10. Amended claims 1 and 10 are believed to be allowable at least because the features added to these claims, in combination with the other elements of the claims, are not taught or suggested by the applied references, taken either alone or in combination.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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